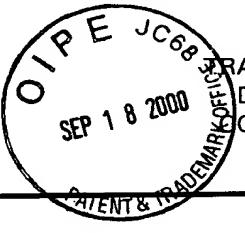


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 <p>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</p>		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE; PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE	
		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 33146RD004	
		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>09/646415</b>	
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. <b>PCT/US99/05733 5773</b>	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE <b>17 March 1999</b>	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED <b>18 March 1998</b>	
TITLE OF INVENTION <b>"PROCESS FOR REDUCING PROTEIN ALLERGENS IN LATEX PRODUCTS"</b>			
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US <b>George W. WEINHERT</b>			
<p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.</p> <p>3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l).</p> <p>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.</p> <p>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</p> <p>6. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).</p> <p>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p> <p>8. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</p> <p>10. <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</p> <p>Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included:</p> <p>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</p> <p>12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</p> <p>13. <input type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment. <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.</p> <p>14. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>15. <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.</p> <p>16. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information: a. First page of WO 99/47087 publication b. PCT/ISA/210</p>			

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17.  The following fees are submitted:

CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY

## Basic National Fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):

Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... \$840.00

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO  
(37 CFR 1.482) ..... \$670.00No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international  
search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) ..... \$690.00Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor  
international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... \$ 970.00International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)  
and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) ..... \$96.00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =

\$96.00

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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than  20  30 months from  
the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.495(e)).

Claims	Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate		
Total Claims	20-20 =	0	x \$18.00	---	
Independent Claims	5 -3 =	2	x \$78.00	\$156.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable)			+ \$260.00	0.00	

TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = \$ 252.00

Reduction by  $\frac{1}{2}$  for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity statement must  
also be filed. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).

SUBTOTAL = \$ 252.00

Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than  20  30 months  
from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).

TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = \$252.00

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be  
accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = \$252.00

Amount to be refunded \$

charged \$

a.  A check in the amount of \$ 252.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.b.  Please charge my Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees.c.  The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to  
Deposit Account No. 02-4300.NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b))  
must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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